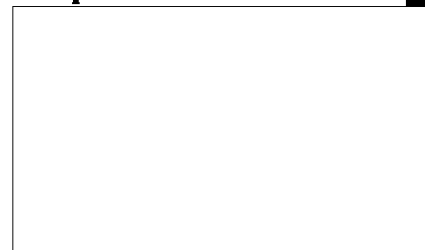




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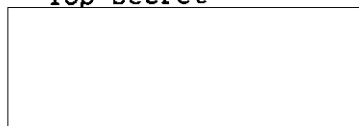
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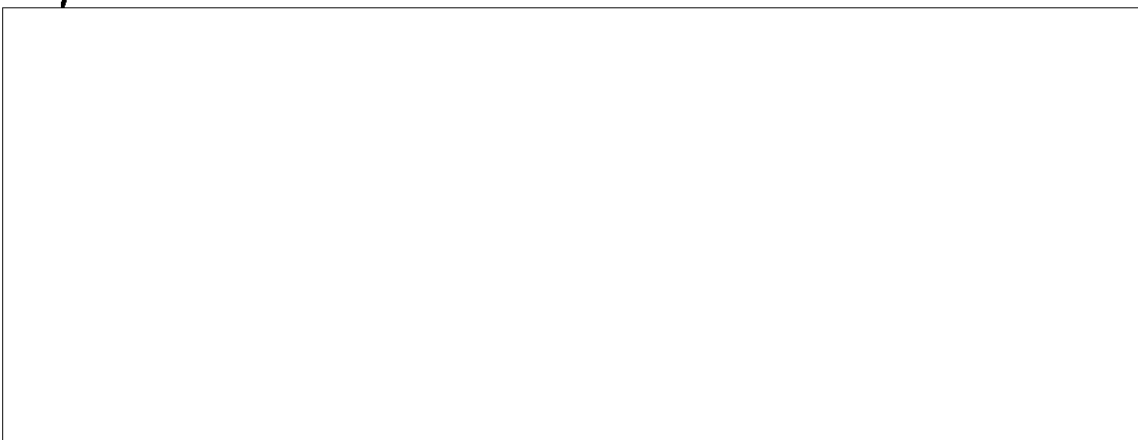


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② POLAND: Status of Papal Visit .

*Postponement of the visit of Pope John Paul II to Poland next month seems increasingly likely, and could heighten tensions.*

[redacted]

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Archbishop Glemp arrived in Rome yesterday to discuss the visit. Glemp last week told the US Ambassador in Warsaw the government earlier had rejected a visit in August, saying it could not guarantee public order because of continued opposition activities. The Archbishop told government officials the visit is needed to calm young people and could lead to improved relations with the West.

[redacted]

Comment: A postponement probably would provoke new opposition activity, especially by those underground union organizers who had curtailed their plans for fear of jeopardizing the trip. The second anniversary of Solidarity at the end of August could become the occasion for widespread demonstrations.

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The regime will continue to try to use the prospect of a future visit to dampen resistance. It also may seek to assuage public disappointment by releasing more internees on Poland's national day late this month.

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ETHIOPIA: Halt in Eritrean Campaign

1 The government's four-month campaign to capture the remaining Eritrean rebel-held town of Nakfa has been halted, primarily because of heavy casualties and logistic problems. [redacted]

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1 Chairman Mengistu has decided to declare a "political victory." With Sudan's help, he now plans to mount offensive operations along the Sudanese border to cut off rebel supply routes. [redacted]

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2 Comment: Addis Ababa's failure to capture Nakfa after an extensive propaganda campaign and the employment of approximately 130,000 troops is a major victory for the Eritreans. The rebels inflicted up to 20,000 casualties on the Ethiopian Army, and their resistance was rapidly eroding the Army's morale. The Eritreans, who suffered limited casualties, probably will regroup and attempt to push back government troops. [redacted]

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Mengistu played an active role in overseeing the campaign and will look for scapegoats. [redacted]

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2 Ethiopia's expectations of Sudanese cooperation in sealing the frontier are unrealistic, although Mengistu evidently believes Khartoum will agree to this suggestion in order to improve relations. The Sudanese, however, are engaged in promoting increased outside assistance to Ethiopian dissident groups in retaliation for Ethiopia's involvement with Libyan efforts to undermine the Nimeiri regime. [redacted]

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